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THE FOLLOWING LISTED INCIDENT BASED ON I CORPS HQS DAILY REPORTS,
FURNISH A SUMMARY OF SHELLINGS, SMALL ARMS ATTACKS, ATTEMPTED AS-
SASSINATIONS, AND MININGS WHICH HAVE RESULTED IN THE
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KILLING AND WOUNDING OF INNOCENT CIVILIANS. OTHER INCIDENTS MAY

HAVE OCCURRED THROUGHOUT MR-1 IN ISOLATED AREAS AND UNDER CIRCUMSTANCES WHICH HAVE PRECLUDED THEIR BEING REPORTED THROUGH THE REGULAR MILITARY CHANNELS.

1. AS A RESULT OF SHELLING, MORTAR, AND ROCKET ATTACKS, 20 CIVILIANS WERE KILLED; 40 WOUNDED; 6 HOMES AND 2 SCHOOL-ROOMS DESTROYED; 13 HOMES, 2 SCHOOL-ROOMS, AND ONE OFFICE WERE DAMAGED.

2. AS A RESULT OF VC/NVA MINES, 47 CIVILIANS WERE KILLED; 62 WERE INJURED; 4 BUSES AND 1 DUMP TRUCK DESTROYED OR DAMAGED.

3. AS A RESULT OF ATTACK BY SMALL ARMS FIRE, 3 CIVILIANS WERE KILLED AND 3 WOUNDED.

4. ATTEMPTED ASSASSINATIONS CAUSED THE WOUNDING OF 5 PERSONS (TWO OF THEM NATIONAL POLICEMEN).

5. THERE WERE 92 CIVILIANS REPORTED ABDUCTED DURING A THREE DAY PERIOD IN QUANG NGAI (P).

6. A. ON OCT 9, 30 RDS 105MM ARTY IN QUANG NGAI (P) RESULTED IN 5 CIVILIANS KILLED; 1 PF AND 613 CIVILIANS WOUNDED; 2 HOMES AND 2 SCHOOLROOMS DESTROYED; 2 HOMES AND 2 SCHOOLROOMS DAMAGED.

B. ON OCT 3, 5 RDS 122MM ROCKET AND 2 RDS 105 MM ARTY IN QUANG NGAI (P) RESULTED IN 1 CIVILIAN KILLED; 2 WOUNDED; AN OFFICE AND A HOME DESTROYED.

C. ON OCT 17, 30 RDS 122MM ROCKET IN QUANG NAM (P) KILLED 2 CIVILIANS; WOUNDED 12, AND DAMAGED 3 HOUSES.

D. ON OCT 17, SMALL ARMS FIRE WEST OF QUANG NGAI AIRFIELD KILLED 2 CIVILIANS AND WOUNDED 1 OTHER.

E. ON OCT 23, 2 RDS 122MM MORTAR IN QUANG NGAI (P) WOUNDED 3 CIVILIANS AND DAMAGED 6 HOUSES.

F. ON OCT 24, A COMMERCIAL BUS STRUCK A MINE IN QUANG NAM (P) KILLING 8 CIVILIANS; WOUNDING 1 CIVILIAN; AND CAUSING 80 PERCENT DAMAGE TO THE BUS.

G. ON OCT 26, A JEEP STRUCK A MINE IN QUANG NAM (P) KILLING 4 CIVILIANS AND WOUNDING 1 OTHER.

H. ON OCT 30, 1 RD 122MM ROCKET IN QUANG NAM (P) KILLED 2 CIVILIANS, WOUNDED 1, AND DAMAGED A HOUSE.

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I. ON OCT 31, 30 RDS 122MM ROCKET IN QUANG NAM (P) RESULTED IN 4 CIVILIANS WOUNDED.

J. ON NOV 2, A PASSENGER BUS STRUCK A MINE IN QUANG NAM (P) KILLING 19 CIVILIANS; WOUNDING 14 OTHER CIVILIANS; AND CAUSING DESTRUCTION OF THE BUS, ALMOST ALL WERE HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS.

K. ON NOV 5, 12 RDS 61MM MORTAR IN QUANG NGAI (P) KILL 1 CIVILIAN AND WOUNDED 1.

L. ON NOV 5, A DUMP TRUCK STRUCK A MINE IN QUANG NGAI (P)

RESULTING IN 1 CIVILIAN KILLED, 3 WOUNDED.

M. ON NOV 8, A GRENADE THROWN BY TWO YOUNG TERRORISTS ON A STREETCORNER IN DANANG CITY, RESULTED IN 2 CIVILIANS AND 2 NATIONAL POLICEMEN WOUNDED.

N. ON NOV 8, A PASSENGER BUS IN QUANG NAM (P) ACTIVATED A VC/NVA MINE KILLING 3 CIVILIANS, WOUNDING 3 CIVILIANS, AND DOING EXTENSIVE DAMAGE TO THE BUS.

O. ON NOV 9, IN QUANG NGAI (P), 37 CIVILIANS WERE ABDUCTED.

P. ON NOV 10, IN THUA THIEN (P), AN UNIDENTIFIED EXPLOSIVE WAS DETONATED AMONG A CROWD WATCHING A BOAT RACE RESULTING IN 7 CIVILIANS INJURED.

Q. ON NOV 10, IN QUANG NGAI (P), 30 CIVILIANS WERE ABDUCTED.

R. ON NOV 10-11, AT TU THU (V) QUANG NGAI (O), 25 CIVILIANS WERE ABDUCTED.

S. ON NOV 12, 3 RDS 122MM ROCKET IN QUANG NGAI (P) KILLED 7 CIVILIANS AND DESTROYED 3 HOUSES.

T. ON NOV 12, 7 RDS 61MM MORTAR IN QUANG NAM (P) KILLED 1 CIVILIAN.

U. ON NOV 15, IN THUA THIEN (P), CHILDREN TENDING WATER BUFFALO ACTIVATED A VC MINE, KILLING 5 OF THE CHILDREN.

V. ON NOV 15, 6 RDS 82MM MORTAR IN QUANG NGAI (P) RESULTED IN 4 CIVILIANS WOUNDED.

W. ON NOV 18, VC SMALL ARMS FIRE IN QUANG NGAI (P) KILLED 1 CIVILIAN.

X. ON NOV 18, ANOTHER INCIDENT OF SMALL ARMS FIRE IN QUANG NGAI (P) WOUNDED 1 CIVILIAN.

Y. ON NOV 19, AN ATTEMPTED ASSASSINATION WAS CARRIED OUT IN QUANG NGAI (P) AGAINST A DEPUTY HAMLET CHIEF, RESULTING IN HIS SERIOUS INJURY.

Z. ON NOV 22, 25 RDS 61MM MORTAR IN QUANG NAM (P), WOUNDED 3 CIVILIANS.

AA. ON NOV 22, 10 RDS 82MM MORTAR IN QUANG NGAI (P) KILLED 1 CIVILIAN AND WOUNDED ANOTHER.

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BB. ON NOV 24, A PASSENGER BUS STRUCK A MINE IN QUANG NAM (P) KILLING 4 CIVILIANS, WOUNDING 31 (27 CIVILIAN, 4 SOLDIERS) OTHER PASSENGERS AND CAUSING 90 PERCENT DAMAGE TO THE BUS.

CC. ON NOV 24, IN THUA THIEN (P), A VC MINE WAS DETONATED WOUNDING 2 CIVILIANS.

DD. ON NOV 26, A VC MINE ACTIVATED IN QUANG NGAI (P), KILLED 3 CIVILIANS AND WOUNDED 2 CIVILIANS.

EE. ON NOV 27, FARMERS WORKING IN THEIR FIELDS WERE SUBJECTED TO SMALL ARMS FIRE, ONE WOUNDED.

FF. ON NOV 27, 1 RD B40 ROCKET FIRED INTO A CIVILIAN HOME NEAR QUANG NGAI AIRFIELD CAUSED 70 PERCENT DAMAGE TO HOUSE AND KILLED LIVESTOCK.

GG. ON NOV 27, A PASSENGER BUS ACTIVATED A VC MINE IN QUANG NAM (P) RESULTING IN THREE WOUNDED; 2 CIVILIANS AND 1 SOLDIER.

HH. ON NOV 28, 2 RDS 122MM ROCKET AND 2 RDS SOVIET 107MM

MORTAR FIRED INTO A POPULATED AREA IN QUANG NGAI (P) RESULTED
IN THE WOUNDING OF 2 CIVILIANS, 1 SOLDIER, AND THE DESTRUCTION
OF TWO HOUSES.

II. ON NOV 29, 7 RDS 82MM MORTAR STRUCK MO DUC SUB-SECTOR,
QUANG NGAI (P) WOUNDING 3 CIVILIANS.

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